# THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2011 AT 9:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, BRIAN GOSS, AND DON ADAMS. BRENDA ADAMS, COUNTY AUDITOR, PETE FOLEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

#### DOXPOP CONTRACT

Pete Foley stated that this item is a contract with a provider that makes court records that are not confidential available through a website. The county entered into a contract with Doxpop several years ago. The change for the renewal is that instead of sharing part of the fees with the county for the subscription to this service, Doxpop has expanded the number of registered users free of charge. Registered users include deputy prosecutors, sheriff deputies, community corrections, CASA, and public defenders. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the contract. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

# $\underline{MEMORANDUM\ OF\ UNDERSTANDING}-Hill\ Water$

Greg Williams, part time Communications Director, stated that this MOU is to install antennas on a tower owned by Hill Water. The Hill Water Board will meet next week to discuss the agreement. Brian Goss made a motion to table the MOU. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

### SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AGREEMENT

Norman Voyles stated that the Soil & Water Conservation District provides services for the Commissioners and landowners in the county by giving out drainage information, designing drainage facilities, providing advice and consultation regarding soil conservation, etc. Don Adams made a motion to approve the agreement. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **FEASIBILITY STUDY**

Kenny Hale stated the 911 Board has requested that the Commissioners approve a feasibility study for the dispatch center. Mr. Hale presented a draft version of the study and stated that if it is approved, he would send it to the City of Martinsville, Town of Mooresville, and all fire chiefs. The study will cover current operations, existing equipment inventory, current operation costs, analysis of all data, consolidation, and recommendations for three types of systems, central, unified, and shared. The study will also include funding sources and a request for proposals. Don Adams made a motion to authorize the requests for proposals as outlined by Mr. Hale. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **APPOINTMENT** – Morgan County Health Officer

Norman Voyles stated that the Health Department sent a letter requesting that interim Health Officer, Dr. Paul Broderick, be appointed as the Health Officer. Brian Goss made a motion to appoint Dr. Paul Broderick as the Morgan County Health Officer. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

### REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REPORT

Pete Foley stated that the Redevelopment Commission met Tuesday and submitted a report stating that there are no employees on the commission, there were no expenditures made and no funds on hand as of December 31, 2010.

# **CHANGE ORDER**

Norman Voyles stated that the change order for the Jail Expansion/Work Release Project was tabled from the last meeting. There were some changes made for the washer and dryer installations and an extension of three weeks to the work schedule. The amount of the change order is \$16,457 and includes a one-week payment extension. Included in the change order is the cost to change the dryer connections from electric to gas, increase the depth of the chase from 8" to 12", extension of a wall south of the laundry area, ductwork and ventilation, and plumbing and electrical changes. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the change order. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

## **JOINT SEALANT**

DLZ presented a proposal for the joint sealing of the existing jail for \$19,807.25. This proposal includes the vertical control and expansion joints in exterior walls, exterior louvers, security louvers, stone joints at main entrance and sign, and saw out crack in brick at main entrance. DLZ

recommended not making any repairs to the coping head and coping bed joints at this time and monitoring these locations. Don Adams made a motion to approve the DLZ proposal for \$19,807.25 as outlined. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **AMBULANCE COMMITTEE**

Don Adams stated that the legislature is reviewing several bills tomorrow that could affect the ambulance committee and asked that the item be tabled. Don Adams made a motion to table this item. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

# AT&T AGREEMENT

Norman Voyles stated that this agreement covers county cell phone accounts. Under this agreement, each department would have their own account and contact person. County employees can also get a 15% discount on their personal cell phones. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the agreement. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

### **COOLING TOWER PROPOSAL**

Norman Voyles stated that the cooling tower at the Courthouse should be replaced. DLZ submitted a proposal for administering the design, bidding, and construction phase for \$14,500. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the proposal. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0

# **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Norman Voyles stated that a year ago, the Board entered into a contract with East Coast Risk Management in an effort to improve the number of Worker's Comp claims, thereby saving money on the Worker's Comp premiums. In 2007, the experience modification was .95 and the amount paid was \$119,194. In 2008, the modification was 1.0 and the amount paid was \$129,059. In 2009, the modification was .97 and the amount paid was \$123,761. The modification for 2010 was .87 and the amount paid was \$116,043. The fee for the risk management service is \$1,650 per month and the year contract has expired. Mr. Voyles stated that it did not look like the savings justified the expense. Brian Goss made a motion to discontinue the service. Don Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **GENERATOR**

Brian Goss stated that they have discussed installing a generator at the Highway Department and he priced one from Cummins, Eubanks, and Cat. The quote from Eubanks was the lowest at \$41,485 for an Eaton 100 kW generator and includes installation. The generator would be hooked up to the garage and truck barn. The office is hooked to the main barn. They would have to pour a cement foundation for it to set on and dig the line from one barn to the other. The quote from Cat was \$53,718, and Cummins was \$42,312.39. Mr. Goss stated that they will be in need of plows soon and suggested postponing the purchase. The power has gone out two times in the last 14 years, once for the flood because water got in the building, and once because of an ice storm. Mr. Goss stated that with the tight budget, he would rather purchase a loader and snow plows. Don Adams suggested postponing the purchase of a generator.

#### **LOADER**

Brian Goss stated that the Highway Department obtained a quote for a loader from Cat for \$211,500 through the Joint Powers Agreement, and \$204,038.53 without going through the Joint Powers. The lease rate is 3.75%. McDonald (Case) also submitted a quote, but did not follow specifications and did not include forks, air conditioning, larger bucket, and a larger motor. Their quote was for \$127,000. Southeastern (New Holland) was \$180,188. Mr. Goss stated that these prices were requested to get an estimate of the cost and include trading in the Fiat.

#### **MINUTES**

Don Adams made a motion to approve the December 20, and December 27, 2010, and the January 3, 2011 minutes. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

#### <u>CLAIMS</u>

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the claims totaling \$1,174,558.06 with the following holds:

Dell	\$3,845.00	Council	additional
DLZ	11,195.26	"	"
Global Gov	499.94	"	"
Wal Mart	840.00	"	"
Hill Water	1,075.00	Documentation	
Via Vertical	698.60	61	:

Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **ENGINEER UPDATE**

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that the laptop used for the sign program was stolen a few weeks ago and he should have a replacement soon. They will also have to replace the software. Brian Goss asked that they not keep the computer in the sign truck overnight. The bid for Bridge #57 has not been officially awarded, but he talked to the contractor and they hope to start in March in order to be finished by July 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Brian Goss stated that there are several trucks in for repairs after the last storm. They are waiting for parts from Texas, but the storm there has delayed the shipment. Snow plows are \$5,000 to \$6,000 each and they might have to order two. Don Adams stated that he would like to look at other sources of funding for the purchase of the plows.

## **COMMENT**

Gerry McGrath stated that REMC could do an energy audit to let them know what size of generator they would need at the Highway Department.

Mr. McGrath stated that he has heard the Council talk about a Rainy Day Fund for years and it is time to let loose of some of that money, the rainy day is here.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Brian Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

	Morgan County Board of Commissioners	
	Norman Voyles	
	Brian Goss	
Attest:	Don Adams	
Brenda Adams, Morgan Co. Auditor		